बुकिंग कार्यालय की दीवारें और छत आदि की सफाई शामिल है ।

(5) ठेकेदार को पहले वर्ष के लिए 2.87 लाख रुपये की एकमुश्त फीस देनी होगी जिसके बाद प्रतिवर्ष इसमें 10 प्रतिशत की वृद्धि की जाएगी ।

(6) ठेकेदार को योजना के अनुसार स्टेशन इमारत के बाहर पश्चिम की तरफ अपने खर्चे से एक बाग का निर्माण करवाना होगा और उसका रखरखाव करना होगा ।

Casual labourers in the Railways

1442. SHRI IQBAL SINGH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of casual labourers employed in the Railways during the last three years, zone-wise;

(b) whether their services have been regularised; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

(b) and (c) Regularisation of Casual Labour is a continuous process. As per extent instructions, casual labour are regularised after screening in their turn according to seniority based on number of days put in by them, subject to availability of vacancies in regular establishment.

Unf-gauge Programme

1443. DR. B. B. DUTTA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the targets set for the Uni-gauge programme;

(b) how far these have been achieved; and

(c) the steps taken to accelerate completion of various guage conversion projects?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) The target set for the VIII Five Year Plan is 6000 kms.

(b) 1800 kms. will be completed in this financial year, making a total of 4770 kms. in first 3 years of the plan.

(c) Adequate funds and materials are being provided to the Railways for completion of various gauge conversion projects as per targets. The VIII Five Year Plan target is likely to be surpassed.

Construction of over-Bridges at Bondel Road and Lake Gardens, Calcutta

1444. SHRI ASHOK MITRA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons for the long delay in implementing the proposals to construct rail over-bridges at Bondel Road and Lake Gardens, Calcutta;

(b) the estimated total cost for constructing the two over-bridges; and

(c) whether Government propose to build the two over-bridges on an "in-house" basis or on the basis of competitive bids through open tenders?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. K. JAFFER SHARIEF):

(a) The delay is due to repeated revision of the alignment plan, by the State Government.

(b) Original estimated costs are :

For Road overbridge at Bondel Road ;

Railway's share	Rs. 3.44 crore
State Government's share	Rs. 6 61 crore
Total	Rs. 10 05 crore

For Road overbridge at Lake Gardens ;

Railway's share	Rs. 3 97 crore
State Government's share	Rs. 7.81 crore
Total	Rs. 11.78 crore

(c) Works on the Railways portion of the road overbridges would be awarded on contract on competetive bids through open/limited tenders.

Completion of Calcutta Metro Project

1445. SHRI ASHOK MITRA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the approximate date by which the work on the Calcutta Metro will be finally completed;

(b) the projected annual revenue earnings once the Metro is fully functional; and

(c) whether proposals are on the anvil to extend the Metro system from the Maidan to Sealdah and from Tollyganj to Garia?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) December, 1995.

(b) Rs. 31 crores per annum.

(c) A preliminary Engineering-cum-Final Location Survey for extention of Metro Railway from Tollyganj to New Garia, has been included in the Railways' Works Programme 1995-96.

There is no proposal, at present, to extend the Metro from Maidan to Sealdah.

Procurement of sub-standard parts to Electric Rail Engines

1446. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the down time of electrical engines is on the increase;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the large quantity of spare parts procured are found sub standard or defective;

(c) whether the percentage of sub-standard or defective spare parts is very high on 'spot purchased' spares;

(d) whether these facts have been brought to the attention of Railway administration by the National Railway Mazdoor Union-Pune; and

(e) what corrective action has been taken on the information-cum-complaint of NRMU?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) and (b) No, Sir.